MADRAS REGULATION V OF 1831.[1]

[THE MADRAS STAMP PENALTIES REGULATION, 1831.]

[*24th May 1831.*]

A Regulation to modify and amend the provisions in force for the recovery of the penalties prescribed for certain breaches of the stamp laws.

1 to 6. [*Recital of inconvenience of recovery of certain fiscal penalties by civil suit only: penalties to be recoverable by criminal prosecution: procedure to be adopted by Magistrates: mode of levying penalties: trial* ex parte *revision by Courts of Circuit and Court of Fauzdari Adalat.*] *Rep., Mad. Act II of* 1869.

7. *First.*—[*Repeal of Regulation XIII of* 1816, *s.* 19, *cl.* 2.] *Rep., Mad. Act II of* 1869.

Recovery of fine for filing document not written on prescribed stamp.

Second.—Whenever a petition, pleading or other document, which may not have been written on the prescribed stamp, shall be filed in any Court of Justice or in the office of any Collector or other public officer, or whenever it shall appear that a copy of any paper or proceeding shall have been furnished on paper not bearing the prescribed stamp, the Judge or Judges of the Court, the Collector or other public officer shall call upon the ministerial officer by whom such petition or other document was filed, or by whom such copy shall have been furnished, to show cause why the prescribed fine should not be imposed upon him; and on his failure to show good cause shall forthwith proceed in the ordinary manner to levy from him the penalty prescribed.

8. [*Foregoing provisions not to be retrospective.*] *Rep., Mad. Act II of* 1869.

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[1] The short title was given by the Repealing and Amending Act, 1901 (Central Act XI of 1901).

Section 7, cl. 2 of this Regulation was declared by the Laws Local Extent Act, 1874 (Central Act XV of 1874), section 4 and the second schedule to be in force in the whole of the Presidency of Madras except the territories mentioned in the sixth schedule to that Act.

It has been declared, by notification under s. 3 (*a*) of the Scheduled Districts Act, 1874 (Central Act XIV of 1874), to be in force in the Schedule Districts in Ganjam and Vizagapatam—*see Gazette of India*, 1898, Pt. I, p. 869, and *Fort St. George Gazette, ibid.*, p. 666. It has also been declared by notification under the same section to be in force in the Dutcharti and Guditeru Muttas of the Godavari Agency—*see Fort St. George Gazette*, 1930, Pt. I, p. 553.

The Regulation has been extended by a notification under section 5 of the Scheduled Districts Act, 1874, to the Bhadrachalam and Nugur taluks of the Godavari Agency—*see Fort St. George Gazette*, 1930, Pt. I, p. 553.